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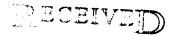
To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in response to your request to raise rates yet again during a time when everyone is struggling financially. We ask that you strongly consider either delaying this increase or reducing the increase. You are forcing customers to have to choose between food on the table or gas in the car in lieu of electricity and gas.

Please realize that this increase will result in serious consequences for many right now.

Respectfully,

Mr. & Mrs. Edward F. Blancato 1080 Griswold Street Mt. Pleasant, SC 29466



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